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11 January 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: GENERAL COUNSEL, CIA

SUBJECT

Shipment of Automobile $\frac{7}{25x}$

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REFERENCE

(a) Travel Order WH

(b) Memorandum for General Counsel, CIA, dated 27 1951, Subject: Shipment of Automobiles to

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1. Subject, staff employee was transferred PCS from 25X1A6a the shipment of his personal vehicle being authorized in Reference (a), the enabling Travel Order.

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2. The WHD decision to authorize the shipment of car 25X1A9a was neither casual nor capricious; it was predicated upon the fact that Station was newly opening (with in point of fact the first PCS employee to arrive), and that no station or quasi-personal vehicles could then be expected to arrive for considerable period of time.

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- 3. Hand been given specific instructions by the newly named Station Chief, who did not depart Washington for several weeks after departure. These involved extensive preparations for the opening of the Station, and the availability of a vehicle was an absolute necessity.
 - 4. (a) The basis of the Finance Division ruling which disallows payment of car shipment costs to was known to the Division, but this was deemed to be a case clearly within the pruport of the General Counsel ruling cited as Reference (b), viz: "There is no legal objection to transportation of privately owned automobiles deemed necessary for use of employees engaged in clandestine activities and who are transferred to the on a permanent change of station".

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- (b) It is submitted that the cited ruling is equally applicable to any overseas territory of the United States, and that the questions of necessity and of engagement in clandestine activity are therefore the points to be satisfied.
- 5. It is certified that the use of privately owned 25X1A9a automobile was necessary not only at the time and for the reasons



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set forth in paragraph 3, above, but that there has continued to be a necessity for such use for operational reasons in such

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6. It is submitted that it is to the advantage of the Government that were use his own car for these clandestine activities.

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7. Approval is therefore requested for the reimbursement of for the shipment of his car as cited.

